Council Minutes

JULY 17, 2001

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2001, AT 7:03 P.M. IN THE CITY
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners Taylor, Rogers, Bennett, DeTienne and Mayor Harrison.

Mayor Harrison led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

AGENDA CHANGES

It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to accept the Council agenda with amendments as follows: · Add a presentation to the City regarding its participation in Christmas in April Program, item 5.a. · Delete resolution amending Personnel Authorization, item 8.a. · Delete ordinance accepting grant of easement from the Zion Park District, item 10.h. · Add discussion of real estate to Executive Session, item 13. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING/APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

Mayor Harrison opened the Public Hearing at 7:06 P.M. Notice was published for a public hearing regarding the Appropriation Ordinance for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2001 and ending April 30, 2002 in the amount of $28,920,000.00. This represents a 24% increase over the previous fiscal year. Mayor Harrison asked for any citizen comments, and there were none. Mayor Harrison declared the Public Hearing closed at 7:08 P.M.

CHRISTMAS IN APRIL PROGRAM

Patricia Konicki, representing Christmas in April North Suburban Chicago, presented a certificate of appreciation and plaque to the City and all of the volunteers for their support, generosity and hard work. Ms. Konicki stated the Christmas in April program this year was a huge success, because of the tremendous community participation. Mayor Harrison thanked Frank Flammini and his wife, who served as the local organizers, recognizing them for their time and efforts on this project.
CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Rogers that the Consent Agenda be approved as follows: (a) MINUTES of a Regular Meeting and Executive Session held on July 3, 2001 at 7:00 P.M., a Special Meeting held on July 10, 2001 at 10:09 A.M., and a Town Meeting/Special Meeting held on July 10, 2001 at 7:00 P.M., with all members having previously received copies. (b) DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS: Building Inspector's Report, June, 2001; Police Department Monthly Reports, May, 2001; Public Works Department Monthly Report, June, 2001 7/17/01 (c) BILLS: Vouchers 76857 through 76951 drawn on the National City Bank, $413,872.76: First Midwest Bank, $9,018.29: Bank of Waukegan, $211,674.60: Total: $634,565.65 (d) PAYMENTS: Timothy R. Evans, legal services, $187.50; Teska Associates, Inc., professional services rendered on Downtown Redevelopment Project, $1,251.77; Business Districts, Inc., professional services rendered, $607.50 & $424.20; Total: $1,031.70; Herman Tool & Machine, Inc., Festival of Lights arches, $9,687.50; Ciorba Group, Inc., construction engineering services rendered on Galilee Avenue improvements, $8,121.64; T. Wallace Blacktopping, alley resurfacing project, $118,992.94 (e) RECEIVE & PLACE ON FILE: Lake County Public Water District's audited financial statement for fiscal year ending April 30, 2001 The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

Mayor Harrison stated, in the interest of keeping open lines of communication, problems and/or questions should initially be directed to the appropriate Department Head or Commissioner whenever possible. This will allow for faster resolution of situations. Lisa Snider stated she is the nearest homeowner to the proposed SkyGen power plant. Ms. Snider questioned whether or not the proximity of her property was taken into consideration, noting IEPA noise regulations. Attorney Rolek stated this complaint could be directed to the IEPA. Mayor Harrison stated that Ms. Snider has a genuine concern, and Gary Deigan will be contacted to further pursue this matter.

APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that an Ordinance (01-0-35) be passed making appropriations, totaling $28,920,000.00 for the City of Zion, Illinois for the Fiscal Year beginning May 1, 2001 and ending April 30, 2002. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Ordinance passed.

ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ADVISORY COMMISSION
Mayor Harrison recommended the appointment of Carol Morley to the Environmental Quality Advisory Commission. It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve the appointment of Carol Morley to the Environmental Quality Advisory Commission. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

COMMISSION ON ACCREDITATION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES

A memo (01-DOC-94) was received from Chief Malcolm, requesting approval of the application fee in the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies (CALEA). Chief Malcolm stated this single-payment fee of $7,650 includes membership for 3 years, and there are no other expenses. CALEA has established nationally accepted professional standards for law enforcement agencies. This is a budgeted item to be paid from Police Department account 10-03-102-150. It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor to authorize payment in the amount of $7,650 for the application fee for the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

TEMPORARY POLICE SERGEANT

A memo (01-DOC-95) was received from Chief Malcolm, requesting the extension of the temporary Police Sergeant position for an additional 60 days. The Fire and Police Commission selected Officer Terry Richards to fill this temporary appointment. This extension would allow Officer Richards to continue in this capacity, as the Police Department is still short two sergeants unable to work patrol. It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Rogers to approve the extension of the temporary Police Sergeant position for an additional 60 days, as requested. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

SPECIALIZED VEHICLE SERVICES/POLICE DEPT

A memo (01-DOC-96) was received from Chief Malcolm, regarding the establishment of an approved vendor list for specialized vehicle services. These services would include the installation of required computer and camera equipment, repair and installation of sirens, and the application of vehicle graphics. Attorney Rolek stated this list could be amended as needed, and would have to be re-evaluated annually. It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that a Resolution (01-R-13) be passed establishing an approved vendor list for specialized vehicle services with KSPC, Inc., Sticker Dude Designs and
Russ Mandel Graphic Designs & Installation. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried. Resolution passed.

STREET DIVISION SERVICE TECHNICIAN/PUBLIC WORKS

A memo (01-DOC-97) was received from Brian Usher, requesting permission to add one Service Technician position in the Street Division of Public Works. This position was approved during the budget hearings. It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to approve adding one Street Division Service Technician position in Public Works, amending the Personnel Authorization accordingly, and to post and advertise for this position. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

21ST STREET SANITARY SEWER PROJECT

A memo (01-DOC-98) was received from Brian Usher, regarding the 21st Street sanitary sewer replacement project. This project is almost completed, and additional unforeseen work was needed. The additional work done by DK Contractors, Inc. amounts to $3,349.30. Mr. Usher recommended holding 2% of the total payment for remaining landscaping work, and authorizing $71,866.15 for work completed. Commissioner Rogers questioned how much time the contractor has to complete the landscaping. Mr. Usher stated the contractor hopes to complete all work within the next few weeks. Commissioner Bennett questioned what extra work was performed. Mr. Usher stated the plans did not show all of the utilities, and they encountered water main connection problems. It was moved by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne to authorize payment to DK Contractors, Inc. in the amount of $71,866.15 for the 21st Street sanitary sewer project, with the remaining balance of $1,466.65 to be paid upon completion of landscaping and acceptance by Public Works. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

NU GLO CLEANERS/SIGN GRANT

A memo (01-DOC-99) was received from Peter Cioni, requesting consideration of a $500.00 sign grant from TIF funds for Nu Glo Cleaners. This business improved an existing freestanding sign at their 2501 Sheridan Road location. Commissioner Rogers stated the TIF Review Board should coordinate efforts with the Downtown Redevelopment project. It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Bennett to approve a $500 sign grant from TIF funds for Nu Glo Cleaners. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.
ANY OTHER MATTERS

Commissioner Taylor stated dry weather conditions have impacted the community’s water supply. The Lake County Public Water District has requested conservation of water usage. Water tanks are running low due to the dry weather. Citizens are encouraged to abide by the following guidelines: · Avoid watering during the middle of the day. · Don’t leave sprinklers running over night. · Lawns typically only need about 1” of water per week. Over-watering can cause the roots to remain at a shallow depth. Everyone’s cooperation is appreciated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

July 25           Zion Township Open House
July 27           ZBTHS Booster Golf Outing
August 7          City Council Meeting
August 10         Mayors Luncheon sponsored by Chamber of Commerce
August 17         Coalition for Healthy Communities Caddie Classic Golf Outing
August 18         End of Summer Faire
August 25         Trail Tree Rededication sponsored by Potawatomi Trails
September 1, 2, & 3 Zion Centennial Jubilee Celebration

EXECUTIVE SESSION

It was moved by Commissioner Bennett, seconded by Commissioner Taylor that the Council recess to Executive Session at 7:51 p.m. to discuss personnel and real estate. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners Taylor, aye; Rogers, aye; Bennett, aye; DeTienne, aye; and Mayor Harrison, aye. Motion carried.

The Council reconvened at 8:54 p.m. with all members present.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Rogers and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 8:54 p.m. Motion carried.